

**QUARTERLY REPORT**

**April - June 1988**

During this quarter, topics for discussion at every meeting of the Executive Committee included the Gulf Breeze investigation, the analysis of the "PB" pictures from England, the analysis of the OMNI survey report forms, the creation and operation of a local abduction investigation panel, the ongoing MJ-12 work and the upcoming MUFON Symposium. The Executive Committee decided once again to make a cash award in the name of Isabel Davis to the person voted by MUFON as having done the most for UFOlogy in 1987-88. The award was made to Budd Hopkins.

The Gulf Breeze investigation by Dr. Bruce Maccabee continued at a heightened pace, as he prepared his paper for the MUFON Symposium. After the main paper was finished, he prepared a special technical paper on the Nimslo camera and May 1 stereo photos. This paper was presented at the Society for Scientific Exploration (SSE) which was held this year at Cornell University. Subsequently he made a set of special viewgraphs for the presentation at the MUFON Symposium. (Copies of his updated MUFON paper, the special technical report and the symposium viewgraphs are now available--see our publication list.) Dr. Maccabee's presentation at the symposium covered the objections which have been raised by a number of skeptical ufologists. The arguments are summarized in the viewgraphs.

The abduction-related work carried on by the FUND's Executive Committee members and associates is going well. About 400 OMNI abduction survey forms (from the December OMNI magazine article) have now been coded for use with a computer program. (Initial results are already available--see the publication list.)

The FUND has set up a local abduction analysis group which includes several psychologists, and a number of probable abductees are already meeting with them. On April 29, Budd Hopkins visited the Washington, DC, area and spoke with a group of psychologists, abductees and interested persons who were invited to come.

In early June, the FUND sent a letter to 725 radio and television talk show hosts, offering representatives of the Executive Committee as guests on UFO-related programs. Within a few weeks, we had scheduled more than 50 interviews, including one on the Cable News Network. As a result, several million people have been reached through this effort.

Representatives of the FUND attended the MUFON Symposium in Lincoln, NE, where we had a table with information and order forms. Dick Hall sold about a hundred copies of his new book, Uninvited Guests, which is now available through the FUND (see our book list).



The FUND is also pleased to make available for the first time two extensive investigations of the "great airship mystery," reported in the U.S. in 1896-1897 and in Great Britain from 1912-1913. The U.S. report, by Robert G. Neeley, Jr., consists of a catalog of sightings and an analysis of the cases contained in the catalog. The British study by Nigel Watson, Granville Oldroyd and David Clarke, contains a summary report and a catalog of more than 300 cases. Together, the four volumes represent the most thorough analysis ever done of this little-investigated aspect of UFO history before 1947.

Looking to the future, the FUND has been assisting with the production of two national television programs on the UFO phenomenon to be broadcast in October. On October 4, NBC's "Unexplained Mysteries" program will be devoted to the Gulf Breeze case; and on October 14, there will be a nationally-syndicated program about U.S. Government cover-up of its UFO knowledge and activity. Dr. Maccabee has been interviewed for both programs, and we hope they will make a positive contribution to the public's understanding of the UFO mystery.

#### **Treasurer's Report 2nd Quarter 1988**

##### **Total Assets**

<u>End of 2nd Quarter</u>	<u>End of 1st Quarter</u>
Checking Account.....\$4,961.37	\$5,606.91
Savings & Loan..... 1,484.63	\$1,465.32
Dreyfus Account..... 702.93	691.87
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$7,764.10</b>

##### Expenditures

##### Income

Mail services.....\$3,111.35	Donations.....\$2,756.05
Grants/investigations. 2,359.66	Sales..... 3,459.48
Other..... 1,891.20	Interest..... 30.37
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$6,245.90</b>

As the Treasurer's Report indicates, the FUND has a fairly healthy cash flow at the moment, but we continue to need contributions to support investigations into the MJ-12 documents, abduction reports and UFO sightings such as the Gulf Breeze case. Dr. Maccabee's report on the Gulf Breeze photos is a good example of what can be done to provide meaningful scientific analysis of UFO evidence--when sufficient financial support is available.

Please keep in mind that your contribution to support UFO research is deductible from your federal income taxes, and that half of the purchase price of items offered for sale is also tax deductible.